

REMARKS

Claims 1 through 80 are pending in this application. Claims 9, 11, 12, 13 and 32 are amended in several particulars for purposes of clarity in accordance with current Office policy, to assist the examiner and to expedite compact prosecution of this application. The Applicant appreciates the indication of the allowance of claims 1-8, 15-31, and 33-80 and the allowability of claims 9-14 and 32.

I. Office Interview

On 20 December 2005, a personal office interview was conducted with Examiner M. Luu and S. Sahota (Reg. No. 47,051). Claims 9-14 and 32 were discussed with regard to Kumaki (U.S. Patent No. 5,619,229). For purposes of clarity in accordance with current Office policy, to assist the examiner and to expedite compact prosecution of this application, an agreement was reached to allow claims 9-14 and 32 when the claims are amended to include the limitations of “entering a color temperature value within the selected range” and “storing the color gain and cutoff data”.

The Applicant greatly appreciates the Examiner for taking the time to discuss the present application in order to expedite the prosecution.

II. Claim Amendments

Regarding claim 9, the claim has been amended for the purpose of clarity to include the

limitations of entering a color temperature value within said selected range; and storing certain color gain and cut-off data of the determined gain and cut-off data. The claim was also amended for any antecedent basis because of the above amendment.

Regarding claim 11, the claim has been amended to correct for antecedent basis because of the amendment to claim 9. Claim 11 was amended to include said entering the color temperature value.

Regarding claim 12, the claims has been amended for the purpose of clarity to include the limitations of inputting a user selected color temperature value within said selected range; and storing color gain and cut-off data corresponding to the selected range. The claim was also amended for any antecedent basis because of the above amendment.

Regarding claim 13, the claims has been amended for the purpose of clarity to include the limitations of receiving a color temperature value; and storing gain and cutoff values of said range. The claim was also amended for any antecedent basis because of the above amendment.

Regarding claim 32, the claims has been amended for the purpose of clarity to include the limitation of storing the determined gains and cutoff values of the plurality of color data signals; entering a color temperature within said set temperature range. The claim was also amended for any antecedent basis because of the above amendment.


With regard to 37CFR§1.173(c), the following includes an explanation of the support in the disclosure of the patent for amended claims 9, 11-13 and 32. The amended claims 9, 11-13 and 32 are supported as a whole by figures 1 through 3 and the entire specification of the present patent. Specifically, for example, amended claims 9, 11-13 and 32 are method claims that are supported for example by figure 3 and the corresponding disclosure in the specification (*e.g.*, col. 5, line 39 to col. 7, line 21).

Entry of the foregoing amendments to claims 9, 11, 12, 13 and 32 is proper because those amendments simply respond to the issues raised in the final rejection, no new issues are raised, no further search is required, and the foregoing amendments are believed to remove the basis of the outstanding rejections and to place all claims in condition for allowance. The foregoing amendments, and explanations, could not have been made earlier because they are merely responsive to issues newly raised in Paper No. 20051031. The amendments were also made according to the agreement reached in the personal office interview of 20 December 2005.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, all claims are deemed to be allowable and this application is believed to be in condition to be passed to issue. If there are any questions, the examiner is asked to contact the applicant's attorney.

A fee of \$1,020.00 is incurred by this Amendment for filing a petition for a three (3) month extension of time. Applicant's check drawn to the order of the Commissioner accompanies this Amendment. Should there be a deficiency in payment, or should other fees be incurred, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 02-4943 of Applicant's undersigned attorney in the amount of such fees.

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